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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, QA, FR
SUBJECT: QATAR PURCHASES FRENCH TANKS

REF: 76 DOHA 0131

1. DURING FEB 15 CONVERSATION WITH AMBASSADOR, AMIR OF QATAR, SHAYKH KHALIFA BIN HAMAD AL THANI, CONFIRMED GOQ PURCHASE OF FRENCH TANKS. (RUMORS OF SALE HAVE BEEN KICKING AROUND FOR MANY MONTHS.) AMIR WAS EVASIVE ABOUT DETAILS OF DEAL, BUT AFTER MUCH PRODDING SAID NUMBER WAS "ABOUT 20" TOTAL PRICE WAS "UNDER $25 MILLION" AND DELIVERY IN BATCHES OF 3 OR 4 AT A TIME WOULD TAKE PLACE DURING COMING MONTHS.

2. AMIR SAID INFORMATION VERY SENSITIVE AND ASKED THAT IT BE CLOSELY HELD.
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